

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

REQUEST FOR FILING CONTINUATION/DIVISIONAL
APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

Box PATENT APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a [] continuation [X] divisional application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending Application No. 08/532,537 filed on September 25, 1995, for THE SYSTEM FOR COORDINATING COMMUNICATIONS VIA CUSTOMER CONTACT CHANNEL CHANGING SYSTEM USING CALL CENTER FOR SETTING UP THE CALL BETWEEN CUSTOMER AND AN AVAILABLE HELP AGENT, by the following named inventor(s):

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[X] The entire disclosure of the prior application from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied herewith is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

[] This application is being filed by less than all the inventors named in the prior application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)(2), the Commissioner is requested to delete the name(s) of the following person or persons who are not inventors of the invention being claimed in this application.

- (a) Full Name _____
- (b) Full Name _____

1. ☒ Enclosed is a copy of the prior Application No. 08/532,537 as originally filed on September 25, 1995, including copies of the specification, claims, drawings and the executed oath or declaration as filed.
2. ☐ Enclosed is a revised prior application and a copy of the prior executed oath or declaration as filed. No new matter has been added to the revised application.
3. ☐ _____ statement(s) claiming small entity status] [are enclosed ☐ were filed in prior Application No. __, filed on __.
4. ☒ The filing fee is calculated below][~~and~~ in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

| CLAIMS | | | | | |
|--|---------------|------------|--------------|-------------|----------|
| | NO. OF CLAIMS | | EXTRA CLAIMS | RATE | FEE |
| Basic Application Fee | | | | | \$760.00 |
| Total Claims | 14 | MINUS 20 = | 0 | x \$18.00 = | |
| Independent Claims | 3 | MINUS 3 = | 0 | x \$78.00 = | |
| If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$260.00 | | | | | |
| Total Application Fee | | | | | \$760.00 |
| If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee | | | | | |
| Add Assignment Recording Fee of \$40.00 if Assignment document is enclosed | | | | | |
| TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE | | | | | \$760.00 |

5. ☐ Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.
6. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 760.00 is enclosed for the fee due.
7. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in triplicate.

N.E. 8. ☒ Cancel in this application original claims 1-11 and 13-36 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

9. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: This application is a ☐ continuation, ☒ divisional, of Application No. 08/532,537, filed September 25, 1995, U.S. Pat. # 5,884,032

10. ☐ Transfer the drawings from the pending prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for filing in the prior application file. (May only be used if signed by person authorized under 37 C.F.R. § 1.138 and before payment of issue fee.)

11. ☐ New drawings are enclosed.

12. ☐ Priority of Application No. ___ filed on ___ in ___ (country) is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

☐ The certified copy of the priority application

☐ is enclosed

☐ was filed on ___ in prior Application No. ___, filed on ___

☐ has not yet been filed.

13. ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.

14. ☐ Also enclosed _____

15. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

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- a. ☒ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- b. ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- c. ☐ Recognize as Associate Attorney the following:
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